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DETAILED ACTION

Priority

This application is a 371 of PCT/JP04/18190 12/07/2004, and the claim of foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) to Japan P2003-410204 12/09/2003 is acknowledged.

Status of Claims

Claims 1-3 are currently pending in the application.

Information Disclosure Statement

Receipt is acknowledged of Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), filed on 05/09/2006, which has been entered in the file.

Reasons for allowance

The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-3 are being allowed since the instantly claimed inventions are neither obvious nor anticipated by the prior art (EP 1 447 430 A1, cited in IDS) and there is no suggestion or motivation to modify the compound of any prior art to obtain the instantly claimed invention. Therefore, the instant claims 1-3 are found allowable over the prior art of record.

Telephone Inquiry

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Golam Shameem, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0706. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph McKane, can be reached at (571) 272-0699. The Unofficial fax phone number for this Group is (703) 308-7922. The Official fax phone number for this Group is (571) 273-8300. When filling a

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